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**Paul A. Zoss**  
Chief Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1947  
Education: Indiana 1969 BA; Texas 1972 JD  
Began Service: January 27, 1997  
Term Expires: January 2013

**Government:** Trial Attorney, Civil Division, United States Department of Justice, Richard M. Nixon Administration (1972-1974); Assistant United States Attorney, United States Attorney's Office, United States Department of Justice, Gerald Ford Administration (1974-1976); Acting United States Attorney, United States Attorney's Office, United States Department of Justice (1977); Federal Public Defender (1993-1997)

**Legal Practice:** Dull, Keith & Beaver (1977-1978); Meyers, Knox & Hart (1978-1984); Adams, Howe & Zoss (1984-1993)

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**Jon S. Scoles**  
Magistrate Judge

Began Service: March 2007  
Term Expires: March 2015

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**Number of Judgeships:** 2

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**William L. Edmonds**  
Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1944  
Education: Missouri 1966 BA, 1969 MA; Iowa 1978 JD  
Began Service: August 1987  
Next Election: 2015  
Election Type: General Election  
Term Expires: August 8, 2015

**Judicial:** Chief Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Iowa (1992-1999)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Carter, Sar, Edmonds & Green (1978-1987)

**Current Memberships:** Iowa State Bar Association; Nebraska State Bar Association; Woodbury County Bar Association

**Staff**

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**Paul J. Kilburg**  
Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1945  
Began Service: 1993  
Term Expires: April 22, 2021

**Judicial:** Chief Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Iowa

**Staff**

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**Robert W. Pratt**  
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1947  
Education: Loras 1969 BA; Creighton 1972 JD  
Began Service: July 1, 1997  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Legal Practice:** Staff Attorney, Polk County Legal Aid Society (1973-1974); Associate, Funaro, Brick & Pratt (1975-1978); Partner, Hedberg, Brick, Tann, Pratt & Ward (1978-1985); Private Practice (1985-1997)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Iowa Academy of Trial Lawyers; Iowa Association of Workers Compensation Attorneys; Iowa State Bar Association; National Organization of Social Security Claimants' Representatives; Polk County Bar Association

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Term Expires: August 2008  
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**James E. Gritzner**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1947  
Education: Dakota Wesleyan 1969 BA; Northern Iowa 1974 MA;  
Drake 1979 JD  
Began Service: February 19, 2002  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Clerkships:** Assistant The Honorable Ronald Longstaff, United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa (1977-1979)

**Government:** Member, Board of Parole, State of Iowa (1980-1982)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Mosier, Thomas, Beatty, Dutton, Braun & Staack (1979-1981); Partner, Humphrey, Haas & Gritzner (1981-1982); Partner, Nyemaster, Goode, Voigts, West, Hansell & O'Brien, P.C. (1982-2002)

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**John Alfred Jarvey**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1956  
Education: Akron 1978 BS; Drake 1981 JD  
Began Service: March 2007  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Current Memberships:** Iowa State Bar Association

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**Harold D. Vietor**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1931  
Education: Iowa 1955 BA, 1958 JD  
Began Service: 1979  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Martin Van Oosterhout, United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit (1958-1959)

**Judicial:** Judge, Iowa District Court (1965-1979)

**Legal Practice:** Bleakley Law Offices (1959-1965)

**Military Service:** United States Navy (1952-1954)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Eighth Circuit District Judges Association; Federal Judges Association; Iowa State Bar Association

**Staff**

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Education: Iowa 1973 BA